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January 20, 2005

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WINTER STORMS OF 2004/2005 REPORT #4

The Chief Administrative Officer's Proclamation of a local emergency for Los Angeles County was signed by the Governor on January 15, 2005.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services has begun Preliminary Damage Assessment for the 2005 Winter Storms, which they will complete tomorrow. The assessment will identify the assistance that can be provided through State and Federal disaster assistance programs. We will keep your Board informed as these assistance programs become available. The Governor is waiting for the results of these assessments before he requests Federal assistance.

The current estimate of damage from cities and County departments is \$146 million in damages. This amount represents \$26 million for Individual Assistance, which includes homes and personal property; and \$120 million for Public Assistance, which is government infrastructure. These estimates will change as the damage assessment process proceeds.

Camp Follows, a privately-owned residential area in the National Forest near Highway 39, was cut off from access because of bridge failure on a private road. The access road and bridges are on private property, so the County does not do repairs; however, Public Works has advised the owner on bridge replacement. DPSS has established a toll-free hotline number, which is (877) 481-1044, for residents to call for information about County human services programs. This DPSS number will operate Monday through Friday during normal working hours. Additionally, DPSS has arranged with INFO LINE to operate a 24-hour toll-free hotline number, which is (800) 339-6993. My Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is working with Tzu Chi Foundation, a non-profit organization, to provide a final delivery of food to Camp Follows, which will be managed through Tzu Chi and other voluntary organizations.

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We will provide another report as new information becomes available.

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